

LEWIS COUNTY

SBA Needs Project Evaluation Summary

Project Request:

Lewis County requests up to \$6,052,658 in SBA funding for exterior and interior upgrades at Lewis County High School. These funds will be used in partnership with a local contribution of \$200,000 for a total project cost of \$6,252,658.

Project Facts:

- In approved CEFP: Yes
- Number of Students affected: 730
- Annual Savings: \$5000
- Cost Avoidance: N/A
- Project in Floodway / Flood Plain: No

Evaluation Criteria in W.Va. Code §18-9D-16:

I. Student Health & Safety

This project has a generally positive effect on student and teacher health and safety.

II. Economies of Scale

This project meets economies of scale: Yes (If no) Waiver request submitted:

III. Reasonable Travel Time

This project meets the requirements in WV Code for maximum student travel time.

IV. Multi-County and Regional Planning

This project is a single-county project.

V. Curriculum Improvement and Diversification, including Technology and Distance Learning

This project proposes no change to current curriculum delivery.

VI. Innovations in Education

This project does not propose innovative educational offerings.

VII. Adequate Space for Projected Student Enrollments

This project has no positive or negative effect on the adequacy of spaces within the existing school.

VIII. History of Efforts taken by the County Board to Propose or Adopt Bond Issues of Special Levies

The County has not proposed a bond issue and/or special levy in the recent past.

IX. Regularly Scheduled Preventative Maintenance

This project increases maintenance required; however, the county has a PM plan in place.

Project Status:

Listed below are projected activities that have been completed to date.

- After reviewing the submitted documents and information, an on-site review was performed on 10/17/24 with Keri Lambert and Dustin Cogar of Lewis County Schools, along with Mark Miller of the SBA Staff.
- On behalf of Lewis County Schools, a project budget and conceptual plan was established by Williamson Shriver Architects.

Project Comments by the SBA Staff:

- Lewis County High School was built in 1994 with SBA funds. The bricks along the outside of the building lack proper sealing and have begun to deteriorate, allowing water infiltration and the potential accumulation of mold. The windows are original to the building, inefficient, and have collected moisture in some areas. Several areas throughout the building are showing age and decline, most notably in paint, interior doors, flooring, plumbing and bathroom fixtures.
- Lewis County proposes to implement exterior and interior renovations to rejuvenate and modernize Lewis County High School. This would include cleaning and sealing the exterior brick, tuck pointing masonry cracks, replacement of doors and windows, a general building repaint, a comprehensive upgrade to communications systems, restoration of restrooms, and other repairs. The project would also incorporate the addition of an exterior canopy to connect the two front entrances, creating a covered area for students to gather during bus loading and unloading.

Existing Building Evaluation Report

Lewis County High School

- Year of Original Construction: 1994
- Number and Year of Major Additions: 0
- Grade Configuration: 9-12
- Number of Classrooms: 54
- 2nd Month Enrollment (23-24 School Year): 730
- Building Program Capacity 1277
- Building Program Utilization: 57%
- Building Total Square Footage 153,700 sq. ft.
- Site Size: 53.55 acres
- Site Adequacy: Adequate
- Site Access: Adequate
- Parking Adequacy: Adequate
- Flood Plain: No
- HVAC System Type: Gas
- HVAC System Overall Condition: Poor
- Restroom Facilities: Inadequate
- Food Service Facilities: Inadequate
- On-site Review Conducted:
 - Fire Safety Deficiencies 0
 - Sanitation Reports 0
 - State Board of Risk/Insurance 0
- Overall Condition of the Building: Good

Project Finance Report

Lewis County

County's Proposed Finance Plan for this Project:

Funding Sources	County Proposal	Percent
SBA Funds:	\$6,052,658	97%
Local Funds:	\$ 200,000	3%
Other Funds: _____	\$ 0	0%
Total Funds:	\$6,252,658	100%

County Budget Information as of June 30, 2023:

Unrestricted Fund Balance: \$0 State Rank: 55th Distressed County: No

Bonding and Levy Capacities:

Bonding Capacity: \$50,229,313 Available Bonding Capacity: \$50,229,313
Excess Levy Capacity: \$7,520,505 Available Levy Capacity: \$4,138,735

History of SBA Funding:

- Net: \$ 1,235,230.26
- NEEDS: \$50,102,113.22
- MIP: \$ 2,373,885.80
- Emergency: \$ 350,000.00
- SAS: \$ 300,338.95
- **Total: \$54,361,568.23**

List of Needs Projects Funded:

Leading Creek ES
New Peterson Central ES
Robert L. Bland MS Café Reno.
Robert L. Bland Renovations
Jane Lew MS A/R
Jane Lew MS Roof
Jane Lew ES/MS Asbestos Abatement
Lewis County HS Roof Replacement

Ongoing SBA Project(s): Lewis County HS HVAC/Interior Upgrades, Roanoke ES Skylight Replacement (NEEDS 2024); Peterson Central ES Partial HVAC (MIP 2025); Safe School Entrances at Peterson Central and Roanoke ES (MIP 2023)